

REPORT

**WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.8
Enon, Louisiana**

**Annual Financial Statements
As of and for the Year
Ended December 31, 2006**

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With Supplemental Information Schedules**

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I have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the Washington Parish Fire Protection District No. 8, a component unit of the Washington Parish Government, as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and the accompanying management's discussion and analysis, and supplementary information schedules on pages 3 through 9 and 21 respectively, which are presented only for supplementary analysis purposes, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the board of commissioners of the Washington Parish Fire Protection District No 8.

A review consists principally of inquiries of the District's personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The management's discussion and analysis, on page 3 through 9, is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

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My review was made for the purpose of expressing limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The information included in the management's discussion and analysis, and accompanying supplementary schedules, pages 3 through 9 and 21 are presented only for supplementary analysis purposes. Such information has been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, and I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to them.

In accordance with the *Louisiana Audit Guide* and the provisions of state law, I have issued a report, dated June 29, 2007, on the results of my agreed-upon procedures.

William R. Durden
William R Durden CPA, LLC

June 29, 2007

Management's Discussion and Analysis

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8
WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT
Franklinton, Louisiana

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Introduction

Washington Parish Fire Protection District No. 8 is pleased to present its Annual Financial Report developed in compliance with Governmental Accounting Standard Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments (hereinafter referred to as GASB 34) and related standards.

Financial Highlights

- Total assets at December 31, 2006 were \$888,892 and exceeded liabilities of \$180,477, by \$708,415 (net assets). Of total net assets, \$167,622 is unrestricted and may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. The balance of net assets are invested in capital assets net of related debt (\$460,093) and restricted for debt service (\$80,700). The condensed balance sheet is presented on governmental funds, but the financial highlights are presented on government-wide statements.
- Revenues consist primarily of a grant for a fire truck, ad valorem taxes and state revenue sharing. The total revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006 were \$335,747 representing an approximate increase of 55.78% from total revenues for fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 of \$215,527. The large increase was due to the receipt of a \$175,750 grant for the purchase of a fire truck.
- The District's operating expenditures for the governmental fund were \$160,790, consisting of those expenditures resulting from the District's ongoing operations. They increased by \$66,742 (70.97%) compared to \$94,048 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. The increases occurred in repairs, supplies, Katrina expense, and miscellaneous. The governmental fund recorded capital outlays of \$222,857. The government-wide statement of activities recorded depreciation expenses of \$48,363.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Overview of Annual Financial Report

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) serves as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements - The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to private-sector business. These financial statements are reported using the full accrual accounting methods.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business type activities.

Fund financial statement - A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. The Modified accrual basis of accounting is used by the governmental funds.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Notes to financial statements - The notes to the financial statements provide required disclosures essential to the understanding of the financial statements. The notes to the financial statements present information about the District's accounting policies, significant account balances and activities, commitments, contingencies, and subsequent events, if any. Supplementary information includes a comparative budget schedule.

Financial Analysis

Statement of Net Assets

Included below is a condensed Statement of Net Assets for the District. The condensed format allows the reader to view the overall financial position of the District. An explanation of the components of this statement is included immediately following the table.

Condensed Balance Sheet

| | December 31, 2005 | December 31, 2006 | Dollar Change | Percent Change |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Assets | | | | |
| Current and Other Assets | \$ 327,227 | \$ 263,227 | \$ (64,000) | -19.56% |
| Capital Assets, Net | 461,206 | 625,665 | 164,459 | 35.66% |
| Total Assets | <u>788,433</u> | <u>888,892</u> | <u>100,459</u> | <u>12.74%</u> |
| Liabilities | <u>242,038</u> | <u>180,477</u> | <u>(61,561)</u> | <u>-25.43%</u> |
| Net Assets | | | | |
| Invested in Capital Assets | 250,173 | 460,093 | 209,920 | 83.91% |
| Restricted for Debt Service | 102,857 | 80,700 | (22,157) | -27.46% |
| unrestricted | 193,365 | 167,622 | (25,743) | -15.36% |
| Total Net Assets | <u>\$ 546,395</u> | <u>\$ 708,415</u> | <u>\$ 162,020</u> | <u>29.65%</u> |

The liabilities consist of pension deductions from ad valorem taxes (\$4,870) and long-term debt (\$175,607).

See page 8 for more detailed Statement of Net Assets for the District.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Government-Wide review of the condensed Statement of Net Assets

The composition of net assets and the change in net assets over time serves as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The District's assets at fiscal year-end exceed liabilities by \$708,415 (net assets). Of the District's net assets, \$80,700 is Restricted Net Assets for debt service. The balance of net assets includes \$460,093 invested in Capital Assets and \$167,622 in Unrestricted Net Assets. These unrestricted assets are available to meet the ongoing needs of the District.

Condensed Statement of Activities

| | December 31, 2005 | December 31, 2006 | Dollar Change | Percent Change |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Program Expenses | | | | |
| Fire Protection and Prevention | \$ 112,453 | \$ 173,727 | \$ 61,274 | 54.49% |
| General Revenues | | | | |
| Ad Valorem Taxes | 124,141 | 148,964 | 24,823 | 20.00% |
| State Revenue Sharing | 5,955 | 5,952 | (3) | -0.05% |
| Insurance Rebate | 3,621 | 4,181 | 560 | 15.47% |
| Grant Revenues | - | 175,750 | 175,750 | 100.00% |
| Storm Insurance Proceeds | 79,047 | - | (79,047) | -100.00% |
| Other Revenues | 2,763 | 900 | (1,863) | -67.43% |
| Total Program Revenues | <u>215,527</u> | <u>335,747</u> | <u>120,220</u> | <u>55.78%</u> |
| Change in Net Assets | 103,074 | 162,020 | 58,946 | 57.19% |
| Net Assets, January 1, 2006 | <u>443,321</u> | <u>546,395</u> | <u>103,074</u> | <u>23.25%</u> |
| Net Assets, December 31, 2006 | <u>\$ 546,395</u> | <u>\$ 708,415</u> | <u>\$ 162,020</u> | <u>29.65%</u> |

The major expenditure within the Statement of Activities is depreciation of \$48,363 (27.84% of total expenses), followed by Katrina expense at \$20,500 (11.80%) and repairs and maintenance of \$18,718 (10.78%).

Ad valorem taxes are the primary source of revenue totaling \$148,964 (93.11% of total revenue, excluding grants) for the fiscal year ending, December 31, 2006.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Analysis of Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Fund

The focus of the District's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spend able resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the District's net resource available for spending at year-ended.

As of December 31, 2006, The District's governmental fund reported an ending balance of \$248,672 which represented a decrease of \$47,550 over the previous year. Approximately 67.55% of this total (\$167,972) constitutes unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the District's discretion. The remainder of the fund balance is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it is restricted for debt service (\$80,700).

Budgetary Highlight

The District does not have a formal policy on adopting a budget. The budget for year ending December 31, 2006, was adopted at the District's December 8, 2005, regular meeting. The budget was not amended. All appropriations lapse at year-end. The budget for 2007 was adopted at the November 2006 meeting.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Budget vs. Actual – Fiscal Year End December 31, 2006

| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Favorable (Unfavorable) Variance</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Ad valorem taxes | \$ 110,000 | \$ 119,586 | \$ 9,586 |
| State revenue sharing | 5,700 | 5,952 | 252 |
| Insurance rebates | 4,000 | 4,181 | 181 |
| Interest earned | 132 | 350 | 218 |
| Grant revenue | - | 175,750 | 175,750 |
| Insurance proceeds | 16,288 | - | (16,288) |
| Other revenue | - | 900 | 900 |
| Total Revenues | <u>136,120</u> | <u>306,719</u> | <u>170,599</u> |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Insurance | 22,000 | - | 22,000 |
| Accounting | 1,980 | - | 1,980 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 19,000 | - | 19,000 |
| Capital Outlay | 5,000 | - | 5,000 |
| Utilities | 10,303 | - | 10,303 |
| Supplies | 19,800 | - | 19,800 |
| Fuel, gas, and oil | 1,500 | - | 1,500 |
| Training | 1,620 | - | - |
| Debt service | - | - | - |
| Other | 7,303 | - | 7,303 |
| Total expenditures | <u>88,506</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>86,886</u> |
| NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE | <u>47,614</u> | <u>306,719</u> | <u>257,485</u> |
| FUND BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2006 | <u>105,285</u> | <u>105,285</u> | <u>-</u> |
| FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2006 | <u>\$ 152,899</u> | <u>\$ 412,004</u> | <u>\$ 257,485</u> |

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Capital Assets

At the end of the fiscal year December 31, 2006, the District had \$635,700 (net of accumulated depreciation) recorded in capital assets. Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures of the general fund and as assets in the government-wide financial statement. Depreciation is recorded on general fixed assets on a government-wide basis using the straight-line method and the following estimated useful life:

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Fire Stations | 40 years |
| Fire Trucks and Other Trucks | 5-20 years |
| Equipment | 3-10 years |

Fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost was not available. Donated assets are valued at fair market value on the date donated. The costs, of all assets acquired prior to 1989, have been valued using estimated historical cost.

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2006:

| | January 1, 2006 | December 31, 2006 | Dollar Change | Percent Change |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Fire trucks | \$ 376,889 | \$ 552,759 | \$ 175,870 | 46.66% |
| Fire Stations | 114,880 | 157,510 | 42,630 | 37.11% |
| Equipment | 279,765 | 284,122 | 4,357 | 1.56% |
| Subtotal | <u>771,534</u> | <u>994,391</u> | <u>222,857</u> | <u>28.88%</u> |
| Less Accumulated | | | | |
| Depreciation | <u>(320,363)</u> | <u>(368,726)</u> | <u>(48,363)</u> | <u>15.10%</u> |
| Net Capital Assets | <u><u>451,171</u></u> | <u><u>625,665</u></u> | <u><u>174,494</u></u> | <u><u>38.68%</u></u> |

The District purchased a fire truck for \$218,500 with the help of a grant for \$175,750. A reclassification of a 2005 expenditure of \$42,630 was made from fire trucks to fire stations.

Future Economic Plans

The District management's approach is conservative. The board actively monitors revenues and expenses and evaluates the cost of all purchases and any proposed expansion projects. The District accepted a bid of \$58,000 for the purchase of a new fire truck to be delivered in 2007.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT A

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT # 8
WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT
Enon, Louisiana
Statement of Net Assets
December 31, 2006

| | Governmental Activities |
|--|----------------------------|
| ASSETS: | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 89,799 |
| Property tax receivables | 149,265 |
| Other receivables | 7,957 |
| Prepaid insurance | 6,521 |
| Capital assets | |
| Land | 10,035 |
| Building, trucks, and equipment | 994,391 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | <u>(368,726)</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$ 889,242</u> |
| LIABILITIES: | |
| Pension deduction | 4,870 |
| Long-term debt due in one year | 35,607 |
| Long-term debt due more than one year | 140,000 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>180,477</u> |
| Net Assets | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | 460,093 |
| Restricted for debt | 80,700 |
| Unrestricted | 167,972 |
| Total Net Assets | <u>\$ 708,765</u> |

See accountant's compilation report and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT B

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #8
WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT
Enon, Louisiana
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

EXPENSES:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Administration | \$ 475 |
| Fuel, gas, and oil | 1,036 |
| Advertising | 1,918 |
| Insurance expense | 17,209 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 18,718 |
| Supplies | 18,681 |
| Utilities | 10,304 |
| Depreciation expense | 48,363 |
| Legal and accounting | 2,168 |
| Katrina expense | 20,500 |
| Office expense | 655 |
| Pension expense | 4,870 |
| Interest | 11,209 |
| Miscellaneous | 17,621 |
| Total Program Expenses | <u>173,727</u> |

Program Revenues:

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Ad valorem taxes | 148,964 |
| State revenue sharing | 5,952 |
| Insurance rebate | 4,181 |
| Grant revenues | 175,750 |
| Interest revenues | 350 |
| Other revenues | 900 |
| Total Program Revenues | <u>336,097</u> |

Change in Net Assets 162,370

Beginning Net Assets, JANUARY 1, 2006 546,395

Ending Net Assets, DECEMBER 31, 2006 \$ 708,765

See accountant's compilation report and accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statement C

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8

Enon, Louisiana

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds

December 31, 2006

| | General Fund | Debt Service Fund | Total Governmental Funds |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ASSETS: | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 69,031 | \$ 20,768 | \$ 89,799 |
| Receivables | 119,412 | 29,853 | 149,265 |
| Other receivables | 7,957 | - | 7,957 |
| Prepaid Insurance | 6,521 | - | 6,521 |
| Due from other funds | | 31,053 | 31,053 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 202,921 | \$ 81,674 | \$ 284,595 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | |
| LIABILITIES: | | | |
| Pension deductions | \$ 3,896 | \$ 974 | \$ 4,870 |
| Due to other funds | 31,053 | | 31,053 |
| Total Liabilities | 34,949 | 974 | 35,923 |
| FUND BALANCE | | | |
| Reserved for debt service | - | 80,700 | 80,700 |
| Fund balance - unreserved | 167,972 | - | 167,972 |
| Total Fund Balance | 167,972 | 80,700 | 248,672 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | \$ 202,921 | \$ 81,674 | \$ 284,595 |
| Reconciliation Fund Balance To Statements of Net Assets | | | |
| Fund Balance | | | \$ 248,672 |
| Invested in capital assets, Net of related debt | | | 460,093 |
| Net Assets | | | \$ 708,765 |

See accompanying notes to financial statements and accountant's report.

Statement D

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.8
Enon, Louisiana

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Period Ended December 31, 2006

| | General | Debt Service | Total |
|---|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Ad valorem taxes | \$ 119,586 | \$ 29,378 | \$ 148,964 |
| State revenue sharing | 5,952 | - | 5,952 |
| Insurance rebate | 4,181 | - | 4,181 |
| Grant revenue | 175,750 | | 175,750 |
| Interest Revenue | 350 | | 350 |
| Other revenue | 900 | - | 900 |
| Total Revenues | <u>306,719</u> | <u>29,378</u> | <u>336,097</u> |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Administration | \$ - | \$ 475 | \$ 475 |
| Fuel, gas, and oil | 1,036 | - | 1,036 |
| Advertising | 1,918 | - | 1,918 |
| Insurance expense | 17,209 | - | 17,209 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 18,718 | - | 18,718 |
| Supplies | 18,681 | - | 18,681 |
| Utilities | 10,304 | - | 10,304 |
| Capital outlay | 222,857 | - | 222,857 |
| Legal and accounting | 2,168 | - | 2,168 |
| Katrina expense | 20,500 | | 20,500 |
| Office expense | 655 | - | 655 |
| Pension expense | 3,896 | 974.00 | 4,870 |
| Debt service: | | | |
| Principal retirement | 20,426 | 15,000 | 35,426 |
| Interest | 1,670 | 9,539 | 11,209 |
| Miscellaneous | 17,621 | | 17,621 |
| Total expenditures | <u>357,659</u> | <u>25,988</u> | <u>383,647</u> |
| EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES | (50,940) | 3,390 | (47,550) |
| Fund balance, January 1, 2006 | 193,365 | 102,857 | 296,222 |
| Prior year adjustments | <u>25,547</u> | <u>(25,547)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Fund balance, December 31, 2006 | <u>\$ 167,972</u> | <u>\$ 80,700</u> | <u>\$ 248,672</u> |
| Reconciliation Fund Balance To Statement of Net Activities | | | |
| Change in Fund Balance | | | \$ (47,550) |
| Capital Outlay | | | 222,857 |
| Debt principle | | | 35,426 |
| Depreciation expense | | | <u>(48,363)</u> |
| Change in Net Assets | | | <u>\$ 162,370</u> |

See accompanying notes to financial statements and accountant's report.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

.WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.8
WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT
Enon, Louisiana
Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF COMPONENT UNITY AND REPORTING

The 1991 Louisiana Legislature, pursuant to Louisiana Revised statute 40:1491, created the Washington Parish Fire Protection Districts. Washington Parish Fire Protection District No.8 was created by an ordinance adopted on December 12, 1994, by the Washington Parish Government. The District shall constitute a public corporation and as such shall have all the powers of public corporations, including perpetual existence and the right and power to incur debt and contract obligations, to sue and be sued, and to have a corporate seal. The District shall also be authorized to do and perform all acts in its corporate capacity and in its name, necessary and proper, for the purposes of acquiring, maintaining and operating buildings, machinery, equipment, water tank, water hydrants, water lines, and such other things as might be necessary or proper for effective fire prevention and control as considered necessary by the parish governing body of the District for the protection of the property within the limits of the District against fire.

The governing body of the parish shall appoint a five member board that shall perform all duties, functions, and powers responsible for the operation and maintenance of the District. All funds of the District shall be administered by the board. The board of commissioner members may be paid a per diem of fifty dollars for attending meetings of the board, and may be reimbursed any expenses incurred in performing the duties imposed upon them.

The District covers 43.7 square miles in a portion of Ward 6 in Washington Parish. There are no incorporated municipalities within the boundaries of the District. It serves approximately 4,325 people and businesses located within the boundaries of the District. The District operates out of two fire stations which are located as follows: Station No. 1 located at the corner of Spencer Road and Cemetery Road and Station No. 2 on Louisiana Highway 16. The District does not employ any compensated employees and, therefore, operates with a volunteer staff of firefighters.

REPORTING ENTITY

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Washington Parish Government is the financial reporting entity for Washington Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, parish council, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Washington Parish Government for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the parish council to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the parish council.
2. Organizations for which the parish council does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the parish council.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of this organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the parish council appoints a voting majority of the District's governing board and the parish council has the ability to impose its will on the District, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Washington Parish Government, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the parish government, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

NOTE-2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the Washington Parish Fire Protection District No. 8 have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. Under GASB-34, a statement of net assets and statement of activities are prepared which are presented on accrual basis of accounting. The significant differences are capital outlay is reported as an asset and depreciated in the government-wide statement. Also long term obligations are recorded as liabilities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Government-Wide Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business type activities.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the District segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance.

B. FUND ACCOUNTING

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Funds of the District are classified as governmental funds. Governmental funds account for the District's general activities, including the collection and disbursements of specific or legally restricted monies. Governmental funds of the District include:

- a. General Fund – the general operating fund of the District accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.
- b. Debt Service Fund – The debt service fund accounts for transactions relating to resource retained and used for the payment of principle and interest on long-term obligation.

C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement of focus. With this measurement of focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet in the fund statements. Long term assets and long term liabilities are included in the governmental-wide statements. Operating statements of governmental funds present increases (revenues), other financing sources and decreases (expenditures), and other financing uses are included in current assets.

The government-wide statements of net assets and statement of activities are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with operation of these activities are included on the statement of net assets.

The statements of net assets and statements of activities are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting exchange, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when liabilities are incurred without regard to receipt or disbursement of cash.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by the governmental funds. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets. Effective for financial

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statements issued after June 30, 2000, GASB Statement 33, Accounting and Financial reporting for Non-exchange Transactions, defines a non-exchange transaction as a transaction whereby the government gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in return. Property taxes are imposed non-exchange revenues which result from assessments imposed on non-governmental entities including individuals. Assets should be recognized when the government has an enforceable lien or legal claim to the resources, or the resources are received, whichever occurs first. Property tax revenues are recognized in the period in which the District has legal claim to the resources. However, for revenue to be recognized under the modified accrual basis, the measurable and available criteria must also be met. Governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Revenues are recognized in the accounting period they become available and measurable. Donations, fund raising net revenues and state revenue sharing is recorded when received. Ad valorem taxes become a lien against the assessed property on assessment date or levy date. Property taxes collected by the taxing authority, but not remitted to the District at year-end, are accrued in revenue and included in property tax receivable.

Expenditures

Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period when the fund liability is incurred.

D. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of the acquisition. State law and the District's investment policy allow the District to invest in collateralized certificates of deposit, government backed securities, commercial paper, the state sponsored investment pool, and mutual funds consisting solely of government backed securities.

E. RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either due to/from other funds (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or advances to/from other funds (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as due to/from other funds."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

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F. INVENTORIES AND PREPAID ITEMS

Purchase of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased, and inventories of such supplies (if any) are not recorded as assets at the close of the fiscal year. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items fund financial statements.

G. RESTRICTED ASSETS

Certain proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes are classified as restricted assets because their use is limited to specified expenditures.

H. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are recorded as expenditures at the time purchased or constructed. No depreciation has been provided on general capital assets. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated assets are valued at fair market value on the date donated. The costs of all assets acquired prior to 1989 have been valued using estimated historical cost.

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Fire Stations | 40 years |
| Fire Trucks and Other Trucks | 5-20 years |
| Equipment | 3-10 years |

I. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The District does not have any paid employees; therefore, it does not have a formal leave policy.

J. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-term obligations expected to be financed from Governmental Funds are reported in the debt service fund.

K. FUND EQUITY

In the fund financial statements, Governmental Funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

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L. EXTRAORDINARY AND SPECIAL ITEMS

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events within the control of the District, which are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence.

M. ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - LEVIED TAXES

On April 29, 1995, the District offered two tax propositions to the voters of the District for funding fire protection. A 6 mill tax for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating fire protection facilities and equipment in and for the District, and paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes for a period of 10 years beginning 1995 and ending with the year 2005 was passed by voters of the District. This proposition was renewed by the voters of the District on April 17, 2004. For the period covered by these financial statements, the millage was 6.0 mills and 6.0 mills.

Also, a proposition to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$250,000 to run 20 years for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and improving buildings, machinery and equipment, including both real and personal property, to be used in giving fire protection to the property in the District, payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 was passed by the voters of the District. For the period covered by these financial statements, the millage was set at 3.0 mills.

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 2006 Assessed property value | | 12,333,080 |
| Less: Homestead Exemption | | <u>(2,382,100)</u> |
| Taxable value | | <u>9,950,980</u> |
| | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Debt Service Fund</u> |
| 6.0 Mill assessment | 59,706 | |
| 6.0 Mill assessment | 59,706 | |
| 3.0 Mill assessment | | 29,853 |
| Net assessment | <u>\$ 119,412</u> | <u>\$ 29,853</u> |

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NOTE 3 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budget Information

The District does not have a formal policy on adopting a budget. The budget for year ending December 31, 2006, was adopted at the District's December 2005 regular meeting. The District not did amend 2006 budget. All appropriations lapse at year-end. Actual revenues exceed "Budget Revenues" by \$170,599 (125.08%). Actual Expenditures exceed "Budget Expenditures" by \$269,153 (304.11%). The District did not comply with the Budget Act because it exceeded the 5% requirement.

NOTE 4 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2006, the District has cash and cash equivalents totaling \$89,799 as follows:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Non-interest bearing demand deposits | \$ 66,300 |
| Interest bearing demand deposits | <u>23,499</u> |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | <u>\$ 89,799</u> |

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are to be held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

At December 31, 2006, the District had \$90,024 in deposits (collected bank balances, including certificates of deposit). These deposits were secured from risk by \$90,024 of federal deposit insurance of \$100,000.

The pledged securities are considered uncollateralized under the provisions of GASB Statement 3. However, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the District that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

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NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2006

| | Ad valorem taxes |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 119,412 |
| Debt Service Fund | 29,853 |
| Total taxes receivable | <u>\$ 149,265</u> |

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2006

| | Balance January 1, 2006 | Additions | Deductions | Balance December 31, 2006 |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Fire Trucks | \$ 376,889 | \$ 218,500 | \$ (42,630) | \$ 552,759 |
| Land | 10,035 | | - | 10,035 |
| Fire Stations | 114,880 | 42,630 | - | 157,510 |
| Equipment | 279,765 | 4,357 | - | 284,122 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 781,569</u> | <u>\$ 265,487</u> | <u>\$ (42,630)</u> | <u>\$ 1,004,426</u> |

The District purchased a tanker And rescue for \$185,000 and \$33,500, respectively. In 2005, the payment of \$42,630 for building was incorrectly report in fire truck.

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NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the long-term obligation transactions during the year:

| | Balance January 1, 2006 | Additions | Deductions | Balance December 31, 2006 |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bond Payable | \$ 170,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | \$ 155,000 |
| Lease Payable | 41,033 | - | 20,426 | 20,607 |
| TOTAL | \$ 211,033 | \$ - | \$ 35,426 | \$ 175,607 |

On April 29, 1995, the voters of Washington Parish Fire Protection District No.8 passed a proposition for the issuance of \$250,000. General obligation bonds for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and improving buildings, machinery, and equipment, including both real and personal property, to be used in providing fire protection to the property of the District, title to which shall be in the public, said bonds to be payable from ad valorem taxes. The interest rate over the 20 years of the offering varies from 11.0% to 5.55% resulting in a net yield of 5.978559% (at par). The District is bound under the terms and provisions of the law and the resolution to impose and collect annually a special ad valorem tax on all the property subject to taxation within the territorial limits of the District, sufficient to pay the principal, interest and redemption premium, on the Bonds falling due each year. A principal and interest payment is due each March 1st and an interest only payment is due September 1st. The issue was purchased by Crew and Associates, Inc. of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Capital Lease Purchase Agreement:

The District entered into another Municipal Lease-Purchase Agreement with Consolidated Financial Resources, Inc. for the purchase of a 3,500 gallon, equipped tanker truck. The lease is for \$100,000, with the first of seven payments in the amount of \$13,991.95, due February 28, 2001 and annually thereafter. The District was advanced \$3,021 for equipment for the tanker in November 2000, however the Tanker truck was not ready for delivery until February 2001. The proposed debt service is shown below and will be financed with general fund revenues flowing through to the Debt Service Fund.

Both lease agreements contain a non-appropriation clause allowing the District to terminate the lease at the end of any fiscal year should funds for the succeeding fiscal period not be available for appropriation for lease payments. Notice must be given to Lessor at least sixty days prior to the first day of such fiscal period for which appropriations cannot be made.

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The annual sinking fund requirements to amortize all bonds and/or debt outstanding at December 31, 2006, including interest of \$45,891 are as follows:

| Year Ending | General Obligation Bonds | Lease Payable |
|-------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 2007 | 23,687 | 22,096 |
| 2008 | 22,832 | |
| 2009 | 21,970 | |
| 2010 | 21,100 | |
| 2011 | 20,222 | |
| 2011 - 2015 | 89,591 | |
| | <u>\$ 199,402</u> | <u>\$ 22,096</u> |

NOTE 8 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

As of December 31, 2006, there were no litigations or claims against the District.

NOTE 9 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions requiring disclosure in the financial statements.

NOTE 10 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no subsequent events requiring disclosure in the financial statements.

NOTE 11 - GRANT REVENUES

The District received a grant of \$175,750 from Home Land Security for the purchase of fire truck.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and changes for Fund Balance-Budget and Actual
General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

| | | | Variance |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Favorable/ (Unfavorable) |
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Ad valorem taxes | \$ 110,000 | \$ 119,586 | \$ 9,586 |
| State revenue sharing | 5,700 | 5,952 | 252 |
| Insurance rebate | 4,000 | 4,181 | 181 |
| Interest earned | 132 | 350 | 218 |
| Insurance proceed | 16,288 | | (16,288) |
| Grant revenue | - | 175,750 | 175,750 |
| Other revenue | - | 900 | 900 |
| Total Revenues | <u>136,120</u> | <u>306,719</u> | <u>170,599</u> |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Fuel, gas, and oil | 1,500 | 1,036 | 464 |
| Advertising | 1,200 | 1,918 | (718) |
| Insurance expense | 22,000 | 17,209 | 4,791 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 19,000 | 18,718 | 282 |
| Supplies | 19,800 | 18,681 | 1,119 |
| Utilities | 10,303 | 10,304 | (1) |
| Capital outlay | 5,000 | 222,857 | (217,857) |
| Legal and accounting | 1,980 | 2,168 | (188) |
| Katrina expense | | 20,500 | (20,500) |
| Office expense | 516 | 655 | (139) |
| Training | 1,620 | - | 1,620 |
| Pension expense | | 3,896 | (3,896) |
| Debt service: | | | - |
| Principal retirement | | 20,426 | (20,426) |
| Interest | | 1,670 | (1,670) |
| Miscellaneous | <u>5,587</u> | <u>17,621</u> | <u>(12,034)</u> |
| Total expenditures | <u>88,506</u> | <u>357,659</u> | <u>(269,153)</u> |
| EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES | 47,614 | (50,940) | (98,554) |
| Fund balance, January 1, 2006 | 193,365 | 193,365 | - |
| Prior year adjustments | <u>25,547</u> | <u>25,547</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Fund balance, December 31, 2005 | <u>\$ 266,526</u> | <u>\$ 167,972</u> | <u>\$ (98,554)</u> |

See accountant's report.

Schedule II

WASHINGTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.8
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULE
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COMPENSATION PAID BOARD MEMBERS

The schedule of compensation paid to board members is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Board members were not paid compensation in any form.

See accountant's report.

**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Board of Commissioners
Washington Parish Fire Protection District No. 8
Washington Parish Council
Franklinton, LA

Gentlemen:

I have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the Washington Parish Fire Protection District No. 8, and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the District's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the period ended December 31, 2006, included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representations regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below neither for the purpose for which this report has been requested nor for any other purpose.

Public Bid Law

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$15,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LAS-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).

I examined all items that exceeded the bid law threshold and found that all of the purchased were made through the Louisiana State Contract. By using the State Contract, Fire Protection District No. 8 complied with the state bid laws.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

Management provided me with the required list of board members, their immediate family members, and their outside business interests.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

The District did not have any employees during the year ended December 31, 2006.

4. Determine if any vendors included in procedure (2) were included in any cash disbursements listing.

None of the business interest provided in procedure (2) were listed in the cash disbursement journals I examined for 2006.

Budgeting

5. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted original budget and all amendments.

Management provided me with copies of the original budget. There were no amendments made to the budget for 2006.

6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

I traced the adoption of the 2006 original budget to the District's minutes. The original budget was approved at the meeting of December 7, 2005.

7. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues or expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by more than 5%.

Actual revenues were over budget by 125.08%. This was due to the receipt for a grant to purchase a fire truck (\$175,750). Without the grant monies the actual revenues would have been \$5,501 under budget (4.05%). The Board monitors the budget/actual statement on a monthly basis and will amend the budget to align with actual revenues in the future. The actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 304.11%. The board failed to amend the budget to add the expenditures for capital outlay, Katrina expense, and debt service. It appears that there was no attempt to amend the budget in 2006. In the future the Board will review actual/budget comparisons on a monthly basis and amend the accordingly.

Accounting and Reporting

8. Randomly select six disbursements made during the period under examination and:

(a) Trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee:

I examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

(b) Determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account;

Of the six payments I examined, all but one were coded to the correct general ledger accounts and proper fund. Payment to the visa credit card was coded to miscellaneous expense and contained expenditures for training, truck fuel, and truck repair. This explains the large amount in miscellaneous expense reported on the financial statements.

(c) Determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of documentation supporting the six selected disbursements indicates approval to purchase from the Board of Commissioners.

Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1-12 (the open meetings law).

Washington Parish Fire Protection District meets once a month, and therefore, places the notice of meeting on the door of the fire station. The agenda for each meeting is placed on the door of the District's office two days prior to each meeting. The Board has asserted that the agenda was properly posted. I examined copies of meeting notices containing date, time, place and business to be conducted, which are filed with the minutes of each meeting.

Debt

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds or like indebtedness.

I inspected copies of all bank statements deposits for the 12-month period under examination and did not detect any deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds or like indebtedness.

Advances and Bonuses

11. Examine records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to board member, which may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

I scanned cash disbursement records and minutes for evidence of any payments which may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts to Board members, none were noted.

I was not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you. This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Washington Parish Fire Protection District, the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana and the Washington Parish Government and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



William R. Durden
Certified Public Accountant

June 29, 2007

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

**LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE
(For Attestation Engagements of Government)**

12/31/2006 (Date Transmitted)

Washington Parish Fire Protection District # 8

(Auditors)

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of [date] and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on the information available to us as of (date of completion/representations).

Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:2212, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office..

Yes ☒ No ☐

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1101-1124.

Yes ☒ No ☐

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1119.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Budgeting

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (LSA-RS 39:1301-14) or the budget requirements of LSA-RS 39:34.

Yes ☒ No ☐

Accounting and Reporting

All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by LSA-RS 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes ☒ No ☐

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, 33:463, and/or 39:92, as applicable.

Yes [☒] No []

We have had our financial statements audited or compiled in accordance with LSA-RS 24:513.

Yes [☒] No []

Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in RS 42:1 through 42:12.

Yes [☒] No []

Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and LSA-RS 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [☒] No []

Advances and Bonuses

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, LSA-RS 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes [☒] No []

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the foregoing laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you any known noncompliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

Secretary 5-25-07 Date

Treasurer 5-25-07 Date

Jim Magee
President 5-25-07 Date